

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) A facility searching device comprising:

a database related to map information;

a database, related to various kinds of facilities, that includes positional information for the facilities;

a display unit adapted to display ~~means for displaying~~ a map for a predetermined area, based on the map information;

a pointing device for inputting a position in a displayed map to designate a search range in a map;

a voice input unit adapted to implement ~~means for implementing~~ voice input to instruct to select at least one of ~~the instruction related to a search for~~ the facilities; and

a search unit responsive ~~means for, in response~~ to the input of the position and or the instruction[[,]] for selection by the voice input, for implementing a search related to the facilities[[,]] in the search range based on the inputted position and or on the basis of the instruction for selection.

2. (Currently Amended) The facility searching device according to claim 1, further comprising a current position acquisition unit adapted to acquire ~~means for acquiring~~ a current position of the facility searching device and a determination unit adapted to determine ~~means for determining~~ whether or not the instruction for selection input has been implemented without being accompanied by the position input, wherein, in the case where the determination unit ~~means~~ positively determines, the search unit ~~means~~ implements based on the instruction for selection a search related to the facilities, with respect to a current position.

3. (Currently Amended) The facility searching device according to claim 1 or 2, further comprising a determination unit adapted to determine ~~means for determining~~ whether or not, as the position input, only one position has been inputted along with the ~~instruction~~ input of the instruction for selection by the voice, wherein, in the case where the determination unit ~~means~~ positively determines, the search unit ~~means~~ implements based on the instruction for selection a search related to the facilities, with respect to the one position.

4. (Currently Amended) The facility searching device according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1 or 2, further comprising a determination unit adapted to determine ~~means for determining~~ whether or not, as the position input, a plurality of positions that indicates a specific road in the map has been inputted along with the input of the instruction for selection by the voice ~~input~~, wherein, in the case where the determination unit ~~means~~ positively determines, the search unit ~~means~~ implements based on the instruction for selection a search related to the facilities, with regard to facilities that exist along the specific road or within a predetermined distance from the specific road.

5. (Currently Amended) The facility searching device according to claim 4, wherein the determination unit ~~means~~ makes a positive determination when the plurality of positions exists within a predetermined distance from the specific road and the position, among the positions, that is inputted last exists on the specific road.

6. (Currently Amended) The facility searching device according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 5~~ claim 1 or 2, further comprising a determination unit adapted to determine ~~means for determining~~ whether or not, as the position input, a plurality of positions that indicates a specific area in the map has been inputted along with the input of the instruction for selection by the voice ~~input~~, wherein, in the case where the determination unit ~~means~~ positively determines, the search unit ~~means~~ implements based on the

instruction for selection a search related to the facilities, with regard to facilities included in the specific area.

7. (Currently Amended) The facility searching device according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 6~~ claim 1 or 2, further comprising a determination unit adapted to determine ~~means for determining~~ whether or not, a plurality of positions that, as the position input, is inputted along with the input of the instruction for selection by the voice input indicates neither any road nor any area in the map, wherein, in the case where the determination unit ~~means~~ positively determines, the search unit ~~means~~ implements based on the instruction for selection a search related to the facilities, with respect to the middle position between the firstly inputted position and the lastly inputted position among the plurality of positions.

8. (Currently Amended) The facility searching device according to ~~any one of claims 4 to 7~~ claim 1 or 2, wherein input of the plurality of positions is implemented through operation in which, by means of the pointing device, the pointing position is moved through pointing or dragging on the map.

9. (Currently Amended) The facility searching device according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 8~~ claim 1 or 2, further comprising a determination unit adapted to determine ~~means for determining~~ whether or not, as the position input, input has been implemented, along with the input of the instruction for selection by the voice input, in which a specific road in the map is traced or two or more roads that intersect each other or that are connected with each other are traced by means of the pointing device, wherein, in the case where the determination unit ~~means~~ positively determines, the search unit ~~means~~ implements based on the instruction for selection a search related to the facilities, with regard to facilities that exist along the specific road or the two or more roads, or that exist within a predetermined distance from the specific road or each of the two or more roads.

10. (Original) The facility searching device according to claim 9, wherein, a facility search for facilities that exist along the specific road or within the predetermined distance from the specific road is implemented over a range from the beginning position to the final position of the input that is implemented in a tracing manner.

11. (Currently Amended) The facility searching device according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 10~~ claim 1 or 2, further comprising an input determination unit adapted to determine ~~means for determining~~ whether or not, as the position input, input of only two positions, through a first point operation and a second point operation carried out within a predetermined time period after the first point operation, has been implemented along with the instruction for selection by the voice ~~input~~.

12. (Currently Amended) The facility searching device according to claim 11, further comprising a determination unit adapted to determine ~~means for determining~~ whether or not the two positions are located on a same road, when the input determination unit ~~means~~ determines that the input ~~determination means determines~~ ~~that the input~~ for only the two positions has been implemented along with the input of the instruction for selection by the voice ~~input~~, wherein, in the case where the determination unit ~~means~~ positively determines, the search unit ~~means~~ implements based on the instruction for selection a search related to the facilities, with regard to facilities that exist along the specific road or within a predetermined distance from the specific road.

13. (Original) The facility searching device according to claim 12, wherein, a facility search for facilities that exist along the specific road or within the predetermined distance from the specific road is implemented over a range between the two positions.

14. (Currently Amended) The facility searching device according to claim 11 ~~any one of claims 11 to 13~~, further comprising, a determination unit adapted to determine means for determining whether or not the two positions are located on a same road, when the input determination unit means determines that the input for only the two positions has been implemented along with the input of the instruction input for selection by the voice, wherein, in the case where the determination unit means negatively determines, the search unit means implements based on the instruction for selection a search related to facilities, with respect to the middle position between the two positions.

15. (Currently Amended) The facility searching device according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 14~~ claim 1 or 2, further comprising, a determination unit adapted to determine means for determining whether or not, as the position input, input of three or more positions, through three or more point operation events, has been consecutively implemented without being interrupted for more than a predetermined duration, along with the input of the instruction input for selection by the voice wherein, in the case where the determination unit means positively determines, the search unit means implements based on the instruction for selection a search related to the facilities, with regard to facilities that exist within a triangular or a polygonal area having as the vertexes the three or more positions.

16. (Currently Amended) The facility searching device according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 15~~ claim 1 or 2 wherein the voice input unit means accepts input of the instruction for selection related to a search for facilities, in response to input of a position on the displayed map.

17. (Currently Amended) The facility searching device according to ~~claims 2, 3, 7, or 14~~ claim 2, wherein the search implemented with respect to a position lists and

displays facilities within a predetermined distance from the position, in order of increasing distance from the position.

18. (Currently Amended) The facility searching device according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 17~~ claim 1 or 2, wherein the instruction for selection related to a search for the facilities includes at least one of the instruction of a genre name as a search subject, the instruction of a proper name as a search subject, and the instruction of the usage purpose, of a facility, as a search subject.

19. (Currently Amended) The facility searching device according to claim 4, ~~5, 9, or 12~~, wherein, a facility search for facilities that exist along the specific road or within the predetermined distance from the specific road is implemented within the range of the specific road displayed by the display means unit.

20. (Currently Amended) A navigation device that is provided with the facility searching device according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 19~~ claim 1 or 2 and shares the database related to map information with the facility searching device.

21. (Currently Amended) A program that causes makes a computer to function as each unit ~~a means~~ for configuring the facility searching device according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 19~~ claim 1 or 2.

22. (Currently Amended) A facility searching method, the method being performed by computer and comprising the steps of:

~~a display step, by a computer, of~~ displaying a map for a predetermined area, based on a database related to map information;

~~a position input step, by the computer, of~~ receiving input of a position in the displayed map, by means of a pointing device to designate a search range in a map;



~~an instruction input step, by the computer, of receiving input by voice to instruct to select at least one of a plurality of input for the instruction related to a search for facilities; and~~

~~a search step, by the computer, of, based on implementing a search related to the facilities on the basis of the database related to map information, a database, related to various kinds of facilities, that includes positional information of the facilities, and the search range based on the inputted position and/or the instruction for selection, implementing a search related to the facilities.~~